

REMARKS

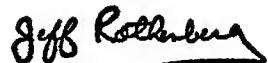
Reconsideration of this application, as amended, is respectfully requested. By this Amendment, claims 6, 10 and 17 have been rewritten in independent form, and claims 15 and 16 cancelled without prejudice. Claims 1-14 and 17 remain in this application.

In the Final Office Action, claims 1-14 were allowed, claim 17 was objected to as dependent upon a rejected base claim but identified as allowable if rewritten in independent form, and claims 15 and 16 were rejected.

The latter rejections are now moot in view of the cancellation of claims 15 and 16.

Since claims 1-14 were previously found to be allowable and claim 17 was identified as containing allowable subject matter, all of the claims remaining in this application are believed to be in condition for allowance and such action is respectfully requested.

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